

The Board of Public Works of Maryland met at the office of the Governor, in the City of Baltimore, September 30, 1919.

Present: Governor Emerson C. Harrington,
Comptroller Hugh A. McMullen, and
Treasurer William P. Jackson.

The minutes of August 15, 1919 were read, corrected and approved.

A Delegation representing McCormick & Company appeared before the Board relative to the alley between Light and Charles Streets, referred to in the Board's Minutes of August 15th, 1919, and after a conference and discussion between the Board and the delegation referred to the following resolution was moved and seconded and the same was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Public Works of Maryland, dated August 9, 1918, permission was given to W. H. Winstead Company, Inc., a body corporate, to erect a rail-road switch on the land:- BEGINNING on the east side of Charles Street eighty-two feet six inches south of Conway Street fronting southerly twenty feet six inches and extending easterly of even width to the water of the basin. Being the same land described in a deed dated June 16th, 1836, and recorded among the land records of Baltimore City in Liber T. K. No. 265, folio 1 from John B. Howell, et. al., Trustee to the State of Maryland, and

WHEREAS, in pursuance of said resolution an agreement was made between the State of Maryland and the said W. H. Winstead Co., Inc., on the 5th day of February, 1919; and

WHEREAS said Agreement has been duly assigned by the said W. H. Winstead Co., Inc., to McCormick & Company, Inc; and

WHEREAS McCormick & Company, Inc., has applied to the Board of Public Works of Maryland for permission to cancel said Agreement and enter into a new Agreement, as hereinafter specified;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF MARYLAND, this 30th day of September, 1919, that said Agreement heretofore entered into between the State of Maryland and W. H. Winstead, Inc., be and the same is hereby cancelled and declared null and void upon the further condition as here in specified. McCormick & Company, Inc., do hereby offer to the State of Maryland the sum of eleven thousand and seventy dollars for the land owned by the said State and thus described:- BEGINNING for the same on the east side of Charles Street ninety-two feet nine inches south of Conway Street, fronting southerly on Charles Street ten feet three inches and extending easterly of even width to the west side of Light Street and being the southernmost one-half of the land owned by the State, upon the condition that the State contribute one-half of the cost of building a rail-road switch in and upon said alley, but in no event and no matter what the cost of said switch, the State is not to contribute more than fivethousand dollars.

And upon the further condition, that McCormick & Company, Inc. is to construct said switch, maintain it after it is built and that it is to be used by the State and McCormick & Company, Inc. in common.

It being further understood that the land sold to McCormick & Company and that retained by the State shall be used in common as an alley or passage way, but that McCormick & Company, Inc., shall have the privilege of erecting loading platforms on the southern portion of said land.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF MARYLAND, that the offer of McCormick & Company, Inc, be,

and the same is hereby accepted and the State of Maryland agrees to execute a Deed for the land last above described, subject to the foregoing conditions, upon the payment of said sum of Eleven Thousand and Seventy Dollars, less the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, if one-half of the cost of the construction of said rail-road switch amounts to that much, and if not then one half of the actual cost, provided, the Legislature of Maryland authorizes the Governor, or other proper officer, to execute said Deed.

Note: It was thoroughly understood by the Governor and the members of the Board that a tax of not more than ten dollars per rail-road car would be levied against the shippers of tobacco for storage in the State Tobacco Warehouse.

Letter to Mr. McMullen from W. Mitchell Diggs, Attorney for Francis W. Higdon and George N. Simms, proposing a compromise of 50% on the judgment against said persons referred to in said letter dated September 23, 1919.

On Motion, put and carried, the Board authorized the acceptance of said 50% compromise offer, if the costs of the suit are paid in addition.

Letters, dated September 26, 1919, from N. Rufus Gill and letter, dated September 19, 1919, from E. M. Shannahan, asking for a price on the whole or part of the Fourth Regiment Armory lot on North Avenue, Baltimore, were read and considered.

The Board held the matter in abeyance.

Letter dated September 27, 1919, from Maury & Donnell, Williams Company to Treasurer Jackson relating to Riot and Civil Commotion Insurance, was read but no action thereon taken by the Board.

The Board ordered the advertisement for bids for State Printing be left to the Governor.

The resignation of J. Enos Ray, Jr., as State Auditor, was tendered and unanimously accepted.

The appointment of a successor to Mr. J. Enos Ray, Jr., State Auditor was next taken up. On motion, seconded, put and carried, Mr. William A. Gillespie was unanimously elected State Auditor.

The Following bills were ordered paid from the Contingent Fund of the Board:

C. & P. Telephone Co, September services,	\$ 10.12
J. Ward & Co., repairs to Hay Scales,	20.00
Charles P. Anger, repairs to N. W. Hay Scales,	293.50

Letter from Robert Garrett & Sons, dated September 8, 1919, asking the consent of the Board of Public Works to the exchange of \$10,000.00. 4-1/2% bonds of the Consolidated Gas, Electric Light and Power Company of Baltimore with the Peoples Life Insurance Company of Baltimore City, for deposit by said company with the State Insurance Commissioner, in lieu of a like amount of Baltimore City 4% bonds due 1951 now truly used as said deposit. On motion the Board refused to agree to said exchange for substitution.

The Board took up and considered the matter of the statement of the funds of the Board as required to revert to the State Treasury under the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 206, Acts of 1918, showing a balance of \$16,383.87 so to revert, as per the following statement, and ordered the same to be covered into the State Treasury:-

(Statement forward and marked "Exhibit A")

EXHIBIT "A".

Statement of funds of the Board of Public Works made in connection with Section 2 of Chapter 206 of the Acts of 1918. showing amounts to be reserved to meet the contracted expenses of the Board for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1919*

Salaries:	Appropriation.	Expended.	September needs.	To revert to Treasury.
Secretary,	500.00	458.26	41.74	0
Clerical Help,	300.00	275.00	25.00	0
Expenses:-				
Rent of Baltimore Offices:				
Balance from 1918,	10.117.49	23.117.49		11. . . .
1919 Appropriation,	13.000.00	23.117.49	0	11.496.64
Contingent Fund:-				
Balance from 1918,	2.212.30			
1919 Appropriation,	3.700.00	5.912.30	2.100.00	82.58
Water for Buildings,	1.000.00	941.34	0	58.66
Annapolis Fire Dep't.:-	2.000.00	2.000.00	0	0
Insurance,	20.000.00	15.704.01	0	4.295.99
Tobacco Warehouse,G.R,	441.11	441.11	0	0
Rent Safety Deposit Boxes,	900.00	450.00	0	450.00
				16.383.87
				12.213.87

The reservation of \$2.100.00 out of the Board's Contingent Fund is made to partially meet the bills amounting to \$3.607.80 of the Baltimore Sun, Baltimore American and Baltimore Evening News, for the publication of the Governor's two proclamations in the matter of Corporations in arrears for taxes to the State as required to be published by Chapter 316, Acts of 1918, and which amount has been contracted for and the publications completed.

There being no further business before the Board, upon motion, duly seconded and carried, the Board adjourned.

Secretary.